

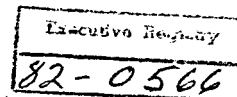
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## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20220

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Dear Admiral Inman:

I am writing to ask your approval to add the Treasury Department to the National Operations Intelligence Watch Officers Net (NOIWON) as a passive listener. (C)

We would locate the NOIWON connection in the Treasury Watch Office, which presently serves as the focal point for sensitive classified messages flowing into the Department. Our Watch Office, together with the Office of Intelligence Support, is responsible for alerting the Secretary of the Treasury and his senior staff to critical and fast-breaking situations. It is under my direct supervision so that I can maintain tight controls over the dissemination of all sensitive intelligence information. (C)

In the past we have sometimes had difficulty keeping up with fast-breaking situations. Adding the Treasury Watch to the NOIWON in a passive mode will enable me to insure that major world developments like the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan and the more recent events in Poland are briefed to the Secretary, and to those senior Treasury officials who have a need to know, in a more timely and comprehensive fashion. This is particularly important given the Secretary's role as senior policy adviser to the President and the often critical nature of the economic dimension to developing political-security situations. (C)

I understand the reasons for limiting additional active participants in the NOIWON and do not think it is necessary for Treasury to be a full participant at this time. I do, however, urge your favorable consideration of this request for Treasury to become a passive member of the net. (C)

Sincerely yours,

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